Housing News You Can Use Chris Roe

The housing coordinator continues to work on developing housing resources for CCT participants. Here is some recent new information:

- The Denver Housing Authority has made some Section 8 Vouchers available for Consumers must meet the following criteria to be eligible for these vouchers:
 - 1. They must be currently working with a transition coordinator in the CCT program
 - 2. They must reside in a nursing home in the City of Denver
 - They must want to rent a Section 8 eligible unit within the city limits of Denver

It will be important to completely fill out this application and provide the requested attachments. The applications need to be hand delivered at the 777 Grant St. main office. Ask for Felipa Esparza, and give them to her personally.

- Here is some information from Michelle Hutchins of the HUD Fair Housing Office straight from 24 CFR §8.27 – Occupancy of accessible dwelling units
 - Property managers of properties that are funded in any way with HUD funds must ensure proper use of accessible units developed under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. Therefore, when an accessible unit becomes vacant, the owner or manager, before offering such units to a non-handicapped applicant shall offer such unit:
 - (1) First, to a current occupant of another unit of the same project, or comparable projects under common control, having handicaps requiring the accessibility features of the vacant unit and occupying a unit not having such features, or, if no such occupant exists, then
 - (2) Second, to an eligible qualified applicant on the waiting list having a handicap requiring the accessibility features of the vacant unit.
 - (b) When offering an accessible unit to an applicant not having handicaps requiring the accessibility features of the unit, the owner or manager may require the applicant to agree (and may incorporate this agreement in the lease) to move to a non-accessible unit when available.

So, contact all of the buildings that are in your area that are developed with HUD funds and ask to get your consumers on their waiting list. There is a list of affordable housing developments on the CCT website. Let me know how it goes at christopher.roe@state.co.us.